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TITLE: DRINKING AND POURING CLOSURE WITH A PIERCING CUTTER DEVICE FOR COMPOSITE PACKAGINGS OR CONTAINER AND BOTTLE SPOUTS SEALED WITH A FILM MATERIAL

APPLICANT'S ASSIGNEE'S STATEMENT RE: LARGE ENTITY STATUS

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it is <u>not</u> entitled to claim Small Entity status. In Applicant's transmittal letter (at page 2) for their Declaration and Assignment, filed March 24, 2006, it was stated that Applicant was remitting the Small Entity fees totaling \$170, which included the surcharge of \$130. In fact, the large entity fees were <u>correctly</u> submitted on March 24, 2006, and the reference to "small entity" fees in transmittal letter was a typographical error to be ignored.

Accordingly, the large entity U.S. National Fees for the above-identified P.C.T. application, paid on January 23, 2006; and March 24, 2006, are correct, as paid.

Respectfully submitted,

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